

MINUTES

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA SYSTEM

April 28, 2000
Baton Rouge, LA

The Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System met in regular session on Friday, April 28, 2000, in the Auditorium, State Office Building, First Floor, 150 Third Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Carl Shetler at 11:40 a.m. and opened with a prayer by Dr. Anders. The following roll call was recorded:

PRESENT:

Mr. Carl Shetler, Vice Chairman
Dr. Edward B. Anders
Mr. Robert C. Davidge
Mr. T. L. "Teddy" Duhé
Mr. Herman Gesser, Jr.
Mr. Tex R. Kilpatrick
Mr. Gordon A. Pugh
Mr. TiJean Rodriguez
Mr. Winfred F. Sibille
Mr. Michael H. Woods
Mr. David Wright

ABSENT:

Mr. Andre G. Coudrain, Chairman
Mrs. Elsie P. Burkhalter
Dr. Eunice Wicker Smith
Mrs. Carroll W. Suggs

Vice Chairman Shetler stated that Mr. Coudrain, Mrs. Burkhalter, Dr. Smith and Mrs. Suggs were granted excused absences for this meeting.

On motion of Mr. Sibille, seconded by Mr. Woods, the Board unanimously voted to approve the **March 24, 2000 minutes.**

REPORT OF THE ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Dr. Anders, member of the Committee and in the absence of the Chair and Vice Chair of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, presented the Committee's report.

On motion of Dr. Anders, seconded by Mr. Wright, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Academic and Students Affairs Committee and took the following action:

Agenda Item E.1.

Approved **Grambling State University's** request to award, posthumously, the Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Information Systems to Mr. Kevin C. Davenport.

Agenda Item E.2.

Approved **Grambling State University's** request to award the honorary degree, Doctor of Laws, to Mr. Earl Graves.

Agenda Item E.3.

Approved **Louisiana Tech University's** Letter of Intent for a Doctor of Audiology (Au.D.) degree program in the Department of Speech, College of Liberal Arts.

Agenda Item E.4.

Approved **Louisiana Tech University's** request to award the honorary degree, Doctor of Humanities, to each of the following:

- a. Mr. James E. Davison
- b. Mr. Lucius McGehee

Agenda Item E.5.

Approved **Louisiana Tech University's** request to implement Phase II of Selective Admissions Standards to become effective Fall 2001, with subsequent implementation of Phases III and IV at later dates.

Agenda Item E.6.

Approved **McNeese State University's** request to rename the Graduate School the William J. Doré, Sr. School of Graduate Studies.

Agenda Item E.7.

Approved **Southeastern Louisiana University's** request to restructure academic programs and senior colleges.

Agenda Item E.8.

Approved **Southeastern Louisiana University's** request to award an honorary Doctor of Humanities (LHD) degree to Mr. Enrique V. Iglesias, President of the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB).

Agenda Items E.9. a.b.e.

Approved Board **RULES** additions/revisions:

- a. CHAPTER I. ACADEMICS. Section XI. Credit by Examination. Advanced Placement.
(*See Attachment 1*)
- b. CHAPTER II. STUDENTS. Section XXVII. Alcohol and Illegal Controlled Substances.
(*See Attachment 2*)
- e. CHAPTER IV. FINANCE AND BUSINESS. Section VII. Sales and Distribution of Alcoholic Beverages.
(*See Attachment 3*)

Agenda Items E.9. c.d.

Deferred the following Board **RULES** addition and revision:

- c. CHAPTER III. FACULTY AND STAFF. Section I. Rights, Duties, and Responsibilities of the Academic Staff. D. Faculty Workload.
- d. CHAPTER III. FACULTY AND STAFF. Section X. Faculty Rank. E. Evaluation.

REPORT OF THE ATHLETIC COMMITTEE

Mr. Duhé, Chairman of the Athletic Committee, presented the Committee's report.

On motion of Mr. Kilpatrick, seconded by Mr. Rodriguez, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Athletic Committee and took the following action:

Agenda Item F.1.

Approved **Grambling State University's** request to increase ticket prices for home football games in year 2000.

Agenda Item F.2.

Approved **Grambling State University's** request to revise the Athletic Complimentary ticket Policy.

REPORT OF THE FACILITIES PLANNING COMMITTEE

Mr. Gesser, Chairman of the Facilities Planning Committee, presented the Committee's report.

On motion of Mr. Gesser, seconded by Dr. Anders, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Facilities Planning Committee and took the following action:

Agenda Item G.1.

Approved **McNeese State University's** request to expend \$330,000 of private donations to construct a new Women's Softball Complex on a new site.

Agenda Item G.2.

Approved **McNeese State University's** lease with the State of Louisiana Department of Education (Region V) for office space in Zigler Hall on the campus. The Committee further recommends that President Robert Hebert is hereby designated and authorized to execute any and all documents related to said lease on behalf of and in the name of the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System.

Agenda Item G.3.

Approved **Northwestern State University's** request to renew the sublease between the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College and the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System for Building #1901 at England Industrial Airpark.

Agenda Item G.4.

Approved **University of Louisiana at Lafayette's** United States Geological Survey (USGS) National Wetlands Research Center (NWRC) lease modification. The Committee further recommends that President Ray Authement is hereby designated and authorized to execute any and all documents related to said lease on behalf of and in the name of the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System.

Agenda Item G.5.

Received **University of Louisiana at Monroe's** presentation regarding the University's steps to reduce energy and maintenance costs associated with its HVAC systems throughout the campus.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mr. Woods, Chairman of the Finance Committee, presented the Committee's report.

On motion of Mr. Woods, seconded by Mr. Wright, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee and took the following actions:

Agenda Item H.1.

Approved **Grambling State University's** request for student referenda to increase and/or establish the following student self-assessed fees:

	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
a. Recreation/Intramural Sports	\$3.00	\$13.00
b. Student Government Association	\$6.00	\$10.00
c. Cheerleaders	\$1.00	\$ 3.00
d. Miss Grambling State University and Court	- 0 -	\$ 5.00

Agenda Item H.2.

Approved **Louisiana Tech University's** request to update its fleet of instructional aircraft for the Professional Aviation Program.

Agenda Item H.3.

Received and adopted **Nicholls State University's** fiscal year 2000 Financial and Compliance Questionnaire.

Agenda Item H.4.

Approved Tuition exemptions for Louisiana Endowment for Humanities (LEH) Summer Institute (SI):

- a. Nicholls State University
- b. Northwestern State University

Agenda Item H.5.

Received the Third Quarter Financial Reports

- a. Grambling State University
- b. University of Louisiana at Monroe
- c. Other Universities

REPORT OF THE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

Agenda Item I.1.

Mr. Sibille, Chairman of the Legislation Committee, presented the Committee's report and stated that the Committee received updates on the 2000 Louisiana Legislative Sessions as presented by Mrs. Dawn W. Muscarello. Mr. Sibille stated that anyone needing information previously distributed to the Legislation Committee members should contact Mrs. Muscarello.

REPORT OF THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Mr. Kilpatrick, Chairman of the Personnel Committee, presented the Committee's report.

On motion of Mr. Kilpatrick, seconded by Mr. Duhé, the Board voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Personnel Committee and took the following actions:

Agenda Item J.1.a.

Deferred Board **RULES** revision:

CHAPTER III. FACULTY AND STAFF. Section II. Personnel Actions. G. Re-employment of State Retirees.

Agenda Item J.1.b.

Approved Board **RULES** revision:

CHAPTER III. FACULTY AND STAFF. Section XIII. Transfer. Offers of Employment. (*See Attachment 4*)

REPORT OF THE GRAMBLING STATE UNIVERSITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Mr. Pugh, Chairman of the Grambling State University Advisory Committee, presented the Committee's report.

Mr. Pugh stated that President Favors has appointed a search committee, of which Mr. Pugh is a member, and advertisement for the Chief Financial Officer has been published in the Chronicle of Higher Education. He also stated that the Committee received reports on the following items:

Agenda Item K.1.

Report on the desegregation Settlement Agreement (SA) issues including:

- a. Status of the SA budget (expenditures, fund balances); and
- b. Implementation of academic programs specified in the Agreement.

Agenda Item K.2.

Received an update from Grambling on fiscal affairs of the University.

Agenda Item K.3.

Received an update on search for the position of Chief Financial Officer and a report on the status of searches to fill acting/interim dean/department head positions.

On motion of Mr. Gesser, seconded by Mr. Pugh, the Board voted unanimously to receive the report of the Grambling State University Advisory Committee as presented by Mr. Pugh.

REPORT OF SYSTEM OFFICE BUSINESS

On motion of Mr. Davidge, seconded by Mr. Rodriguez, the Board voted unanimously to approve the personnel actions and summer school appointments as submitted by System Universities.

Agenda Item L.2. System President's Report

Mr. Jindal made the following announcements for Board information or consideration.

- a. Mr. Jindal commended the following universities that received the Forum for Educational Excellence's Higher Education Innovation Awards:

Louisiana Tech University
Southeastern Louisiana University
University of Louisiana at Monroe

McNeese State University
University of Louisiana at Lafayette

He stated that the Forum was hosted by CABL and sponsored by Entergy and that these five System universities were the first to receive this type of recognition. He indicated that Louisiana Tech University was recognized for its faculty rotation program, McNeese State University, Southeastern Louisiana University and University of Louisiana at Monroe were recognized because of their Teacher Warranty programs, and the University of Louisiana at Lafayette was recognized for its unique partnership with local schools.

- b. Mr. Jindal announced that the System staff distributed the University of Louisiana System's recruiting guides and videos. He indicated that recruiting guides included a financial aid application and were distributed to all Louisiana high schools. He invited interested Board members to attend area meetings with the University Presidents and Superintendents of School Systems throughout the State of Louisiana. Meetings are scheduled for the week of May 1 in Lafayette and Lake Charles.

Mr. Jindal thanked Mrs. Dawn Muscarello and Mr. Rusty Jabour of the System staff for their work with the recruiting guides and the students at Northwestern State University who produced the video along with the technical staff at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette.

- c. Mr. Jindal commended President Daniel Reneau at Louisiana Tech University for initiating Phase Two of Selective Admissions. He announced that Louisiana Tech University was the first in the University of Louisiana System to initiate selective admissions. The initiation of selective admissions has resulted in an increase in graduation and retention rates.
- d. Mr. Jindal commended and noted that the University of Louisiana at Lafayette entered into a partnership agreement with a federal research agency that will allow 100 new scientists to be located in their research park.
- e. He also commended Nicholls State University and Northwestern State University for the positive efforts initiated by these universities for their tuition exemption programs for the Louisiana Endowment for Humanities (LEH) Summer Institute (SI).

REPORT OF BOARD CHAIRMAN'S BUSINESS

Agenda Item M.1. Board Chairman's Report

Vice Chairman Shetler made the following announcements for information or consideration by the Board:

- a. Mr. Shetler announced that Mr. Davidge will chair the Board of Supervisors Bond Subcommittee to review the bond fees and the bond issuance process. The following were appointed to serve on the Subcommittee:

Mr. Robert C. Davidge, Chair	Mr. Andre G. Coudrain
Mr. Gordon A. Pugh	Mr. Herman Gesser, Jr.
Mr. J. Douglas Lee (System staff)	Mr. Dave Nicklas (System staff)
Mr. Stephen Smith (SLU)	Mr. Joseph Thomas (LTU)

- b. Board members who attended the Board of Regents Committee meetings were asked to report on committee actions affecting the University of Louisiana System.
1. Dr. Anders reported that the Board of Regents' Academic Affairs Committee approved the following items affecting the University of Louisiana System:
 - (a) The Academic Affairs Committee approved, subject to certain stipulations, the University of Louisiana at Lafayette's Letter of Intent for a Ph.D. program in Applied Language and Speech Sciences.
 - (b) The Board of Regents approved Louisiana Tech University's proposal for a Master of Science degree program in Engineering Management.
 2. At Mr. Sibille's request, Mr. Douglas Lee reported that the Board of Regents Facility Planning Committee approved the amendments to Capital Outlay Recommendations for FY 2000-01 and approved the Small Capital Projects Policy.
 3. Mr. Sibille reported that the Board of Regents Legislation Committee authorized its staff to make changes or recommendations to the Legislature on behalf of its Board of Regents as necessary during the session.
 4. Mr. Woods reported that the Finance Committee gave a recap of the fiscal year 2000 – 2001 General Appropriations and approved a BA-7 for Northwestern State University to keep \$388,700.

- c. Mr. Shetler announced that President Robert Hebert's father-in-law passed away, and the funeral will be tomorrow Saturday, April 29, 2000 at 11:00 a.m. He expressed his sympathy on behalf of the Board to President Hebert and his wife's family.
- d. Mr. Duhé asked that he be kept informed regarding the Capital Outlay bill.

On motion of Mr. Duhé, seconded by Mr. Sibille, there being no further business, the Board adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

